



News & Views

Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association

Spring 1994

Alumni Association 'Hits the Road' to Florida

Florida alumni had a special treat when the alumni association "hit the road" in January for the first regional gathering of alumni in Long Boat Key.

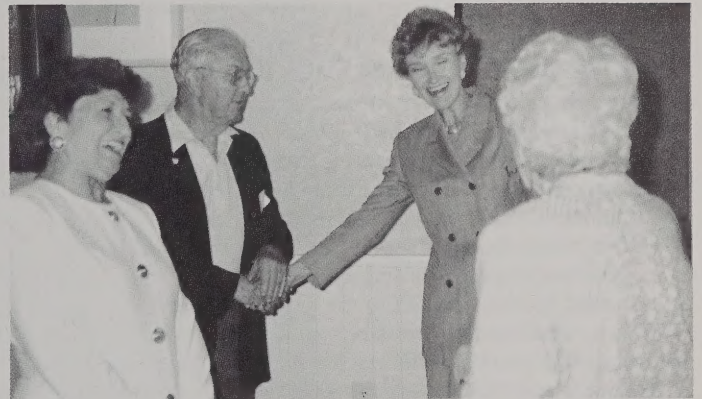
The event, attended by 30 College of Nursing graduates, included an update on nursing at Rush and the importance of alumni support to The Campaign for Rush.

The gathering was hosted by nurses campaign cabinet member and Florida alumni representative **Jo Ann Young, R.N.** (Pres. '53). Special guests included alumni president **Martha Mills, M.S., R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), and College of Nursing dean **Kay Andreoli, D.S.N.**

"We are \$150,000 away from achieving the nursing alumni Campaign goal of \$500,000," Mills said. "This is a great accomplishment, but our focus is not only on a monetary target.

"More important, the full endorsement of those closest to the institution—the alumni—shows the outside community the importance of this Campaign to the future of the Medical Center."

In addition to informing alumni about exciting develop-

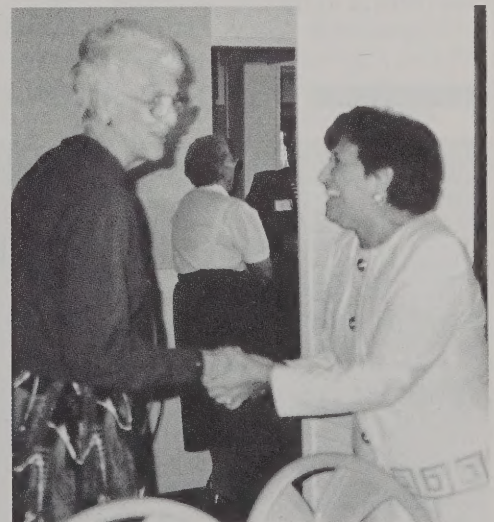


Kay Andreoli, D.S.N., and Martha Mills, M.S., R.N. (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), share a laugh with J. Grove Wolf, Ph.D. and 60-year alumnus Joanne Nelmark Wolf (Pres. '33).

ments at Rush, the luncheon gave alumni plenty of time to talk, laugh and reminisce. Alumni attending included classmates **Barbara Ellis Olson, Gladys Kinney Pagenkopf** and **Lois Rasmussen Raber** (Pres. '46), **Mary Singer Barker** and **Nancy Hathaway Finley** (Pres. '48), **Pat Anderson Keeler** and **Nan Kerner** (St. Luke's '47), and **Jo Ann Young** and **Donna Lange Domagala** (Pres. '53).



Nina Skorcz (St. Lukes '34), left, of Port Charlotte, FL, and Susan Symes Campbell (St. Lukes '54), of Naples, FL, visit with Martha Mills.



Martha Mills, M.S., R.N. (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), thanks Marion Etten (St. Luke's '44), of Bradenton, FL, for coming to a special regional gathering of Florida alumni.



From the Dean

Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N.

High enrollment trend continues

Nursing school enrollment nationwide and at Rush increased again this year. In 1992, our enrollment was 480, and in 1993, it was 513. We project the enrollment for September 1994 to be 650 students. This is a positive trend, since health care reform will increasingly demand that nurses with advanced education serve as leaders in managed care, both in the hospital and in outpatient settings. Experts predict that by the year 2005, the number of college-educated RNs needed by the industry will be short by 600,000. We are doing our part to make up for that anticipated shortfall.

As you know, the cost of nursing education is already often beyond the reach of excellent candidates we hope to attract. Yet for the college to continue offering quality programs, we must increase tuition by 5 percent this fall. Outside support eases the financial strain on our students, and makes it possible for more of them to attain their professional goals.

For the past 18 years, the Woman's Board of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center has provided more than \$505,000 in scholarship aid to our students. It was for this ongoing support that the Convocation Committee of the College of Nursing honored the Woman's Board with this year's Friend of Nursing Award. We thank them for their commitment to nursing education!

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College of Nursing accolades

US News & World Report recently ranked graduate nursing programs across the country for their reputation for scholarship, curriculum, and quality of faculty and graduate students. The 201 schools are all accredited by the National League for Nursing. Our College of Nursing was ranked 16th—a great tribute to Rush.

Our distinguished faculty has contributed much to the college's success.

- **Margaret Faut-Callahan, D.N.Sc.** (M.S. '79, D.N.Sc. '84), professor of OR/surgical nursing, was appointed to the Illinois Committee of Nursing. She was also elected to the National Academies of Practice as a Distinguished Practitioner in Nursing.
- **Joyce Keithley, D.N.Sc.** (Rush '80), professor of OR/surgical nursing, was elected to the Publications and Nurses committees of the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition.
- **Carol Farran, D.N.Sc.** (Rush '85), associate professor of psychiatric nursing, was named the Midwest Nursing Research Society's Honored Researcher at its 1994 conference.
- **Cheryl Easley, Ph.D.**, associate professor and chair of community health nursing, was appointed director of nursing for the Rush Institute for Primary Care.

Changes in leadership and testing

In December 1993, Donna Ipema, Ph.D., R.N., director of curriculum and instruction for the last five years, left the college to become provost of Concordia-West Suburban College of Nursing in Oak Park, IL. Lois Halstead, Ph.D., R.N., associate professor and assistant chair in education for maternal-child nursing, was appointed acting director for seven months.

Effective July 1, Dr. Halstead will be appointed to the expanded and newly titled position, director of academic services. She has been with the college since 1984, and her contributions to the educational programs in curriculum development, planning and leadership have been laudatory.

As of April 1994, the National Council Licensure Examination for registered nurses is being administered by computer for the first time. After graduation, students schedule an appointment to take the exam at one of 81 sites across Illinois. Last year, 94 percent of our graduates passed this difficult test.

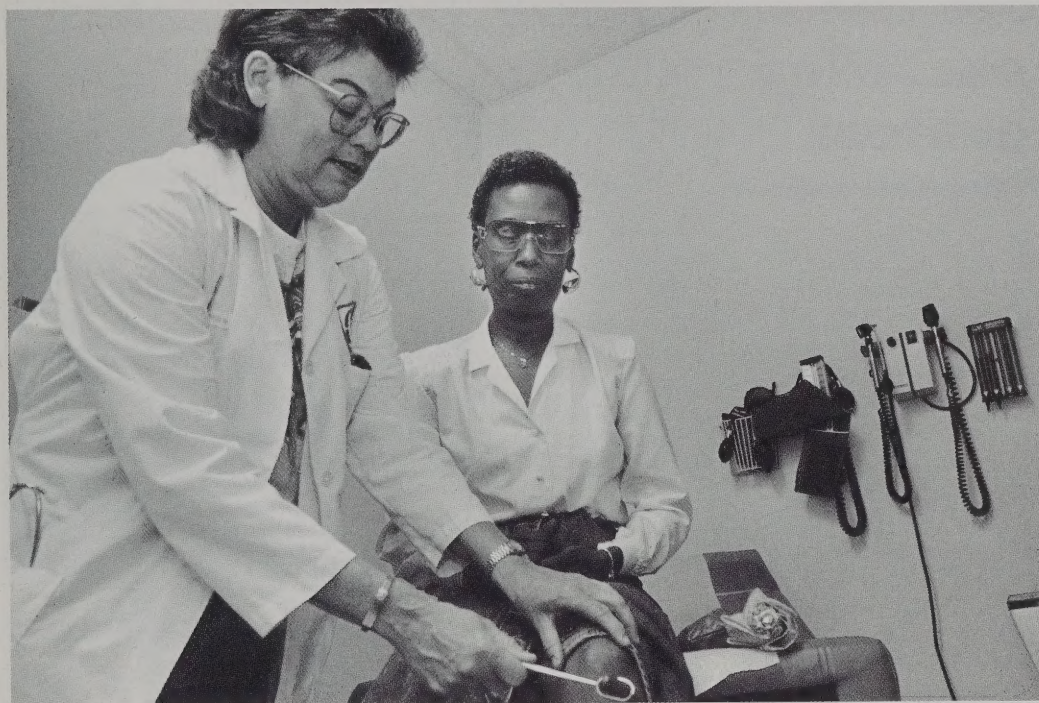
The practice of nursing

This year, the Rush Home Care Network, the Medical Center's home health care agency, will pass the 100,000 visit mark. Increased use of the network's services has made a significant contribution to the decreased length of stay at the Medical Center. Reducing length of stay is the No. 1 goal to decrease the Medical Center's expenses.

Also, administrators at the network have submitted a business plan for a joint venture hospice program within the Rush System for Health.

Finally, happy 10th anniversary to the Professional Nursing Staff at Rush. Thanks for being there for nurses at Rush and for making a difference.

Nurse Practitioner Provides Healing and Hope



Nurse practitioner **Linda Clemmings, M.S., R.N.** (Rush '75), tests the reflexes of **Darlene Clark**, who was seeking help for a back problem.

Photo by Nancee E. Lewis

Ernestine Jones, 44, walks into the South Shore Health Center on Chicago's South Side complaining that the medication she is taking for high blood pressure is making her dizzy and sick.

Nurse practitioner **Linda Clemmings, M.S., R.N.** (Rush '75), ushers Jones into one of two sparse examination rooms and fastens a blood pressure cuff around her right arm.

"Hmmm, 160/100—your blood pressure is high," the Rush nurse of 28 years tells her patient. "But don't worry, there are more than 30 different medications to treat high blood pressure—we have beta blockers and calcium channels. We'll find the one that is right for you."

After consulting her eight-inch thick *Physician Desk Reference* book—Clemmings' "Bible" on the job—and in keeping with the office protocol, she switches Jones' medication from Plendil to 30 mg of Adalat, a calcium channel blocker.

"We can increase your dosage," she tells Jones, "but let's see how you're feeling. You drop in sometime next week and we'll recheck your blood pressure. If you feel sick, call me."

Jones smiles and says she likes the personalized, unhurried care she receives from her "doctor." "She's very concerned about me, and I've only been coming to this clinic for a month," says Jones, who, like many of the South Shore

Health Center patients, was referred from the emergency room at nearby Provident Hospital for follow-up and care.

Clemmings, who has worked at the inner-city clinic two days a week since October 1993, has become something like a family doctor to many of her patients. The 51-year-old nurse practitioner takes patient histories, performs head-to-toe physicals, does Pap smears, orders laboratory tests, immunizes children and targets medical problems. In consultation with Diane Damper, M.D., Ph.D., the clinic's medical director, she also diagnoses and prescribes medications.

"Nurse practitioners can diagnose a bladder infection, or strep throat and determine appropriate treatment," says Clemmings. "There is a shortage of primary care physicians in this country and nurse prac-

titioners are helping to fill an incredible need.

"We provide care to impoverished people who might otherwise fall through the cracks," says Clemmings, who sees 15 to 20 patients a day.

Take, for instance, Maria, a 21-year-old diabetic under Clemmings' care for acidosis—extremely high blood sugar. Maria who has been hospitalized twice for this problem, is what Clemmings refers to as 'noncompliant.'

"Average blood sugar is 70 to 110; Maria's is running 335—and the scary part is that she insists she's following a proper diet and taking her medications," says Clemmings. "If we don't get this in check, she could die before she turns 25."

The community health nurse speaks from experience—she was diagnosed with diabetes at age 9. "Health maintenance and disease prevention and promotion are important parts of my job," says Clemmings. "I remind women when it's time to have their mammograms, and counsel sexually active teens."

In 1993, more than 1,100 people flocked to the 2,000-square-foot clinic at 1818 East 71st Street—a renovated Firestone tire building. From January through March 1994, 750 people have already come to the clinic. To keep pace with the demand for affordable and accessible primary and preventive services, the clinic—which is operated by the United Church of Christ—plans to expand by the fall.

In the wake of health care reform, Clemmings predicts that nurse practitioners will play an increasingly important role in the delivery of ambulatory care. "Primary ambulatory care is the engine that will drive the future of the health care system," she says. "I'm glad I can be a part of it."



From the Association President

Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N. Presbyterian-St. Luke's '65

For those of us living up north, the long, cold winter of 1994 is a distant memory. My January was made just a bit brighter by being able to attend our first Florida alumni get-together. The response to our efforts to get this group together was overwhelming, and I would like to especially thank **Jo Ann Young, R.N.** (Pres. '53), for all of her hard work in making sure everything went smoothly. The Board of Directors feels it is important to "bring the association to the alumni" since many of you do not get back to Chicago regularly. We hope this event is the first of many regional gatherings across the country.

Plans are currently in the works for Homecoming 1994 on Friday, June 10. More than 200 alumni plan to return to the Medical Center—a majority to celebrate an anniversary. It is our tradition to honor these "anniversary classes" at Homecoming, with the 50-year class as our special guests. This year, however, I am pleased to report that we also have some alumni returning from the 60- and 70-year classes. It is always thrilling for me to recognize these special alumni, and they should be commended.

Nurses Alumni Association vice president **Karen Van Dyke Lamb, N.D.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush '82 and '91), has been asked by Dr. Leo Henikoff to speak about options for the care of aging parents at the June 8th Trustee Briefings. Held bi annually for special friends of the Medical Center, this program features presentations on compelling medical issues and Rush's role in finding solutions. Karen, an assistant professor and staff development coordinator of gerontological nursing at Johnston R. Bowman Health Center for the Elderly, is the first nurse chosen to give a Trustee Briefings presentation.

I recently had the pleasure of representing the Nurses Alumni Association at the inaugural dinner of the Rush Heritage Society. This organization was established last year to recognize individuals who have included Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in their estate plans. I am pleased to announce that 16 of the charter members are nursing alumni. This is a fine indication of our dedication to preserving excellence in the College of Nursing.

Thank you all for your interest and participation in our spring phonathon held this past March. This event continues to be a success, with 298 alumni pledging more than \$9,000. Please know that our student and alumni volunteers enjoyed calling you on behalf of the alumni association and appreciate your positive responses.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Nurses Alumni Association. I continue to enjoy serving as your president.

Making a Difference in Cancer Patients' Lives

Elisa Mroz was holding her best friend's hand when he died of AIDS at the age of 35. She also cared for her mother after she underwent surgery

to remove a cancerous growth and watched her father-in-law fight—and lose—a six-month battle with pancreatic cancer.

Being so close to death, says the third-year College of Nursing student, has given her a new perspective on life—and her career.

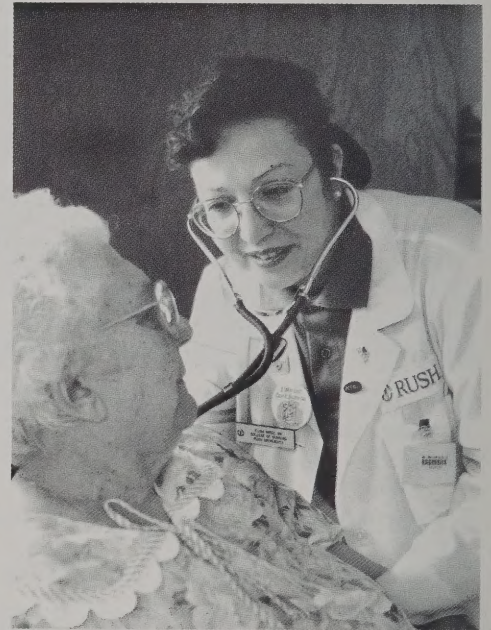
"I want to help people who are courageously living—and dying—with cancer," Mroz says. "I know it sounds like a

cliche, but I want to care for the 'whole' person. Helping women cope emotionally with breast cancer that metastasizes or reading to an elderly man who lost his right eye to cancer, to me, is just as important as administering medications."

Mroz's skill, compassion and dedication to her patients has been recognized by her professors. She earned clinical honors for nursing excellence from Susan L. MacLean, Ph.D., R.N., practitioner-teacher in medical nursing. Dr. MacLean, who taught Mroz in her first clinical practicum, Foundations of Nursing, believes Mroz will make an exceptional nurse.

"Even as a beginning student, Elisa provided safe, effective, organized care to a variety of complex, often physically and emotionally challenging patients," says Dr. MacLean.

Mroz's hard work and perseverance in pursuing a career in oncology nursing recently received an added boost. After coming home from a "killer" pharmacology test in February, the 40-year-old discovered she had won the Helene Fuld Health Trust Fellowship. She will represent Rush and the state of Illinois at the Eighth International



Third-year nursing student Elisa Mroz with Lena Arpino, a patient at the Johnston R. Bowman Health Center for the Elderly.

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Locating 'Lost' Alumni in Time for Homecoming '95

Next year's Homecoming celebration will honor the classes of 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1975, 1980 and 1985. To ensure that no one misses out on the festivities, we ask your help in locating the following "lost" alumni.

St. Luke's — 1945

Marian Fender Arnold
Margaret Herring Coogan
Francis Garner Doughten
Betty McCoy Ghilain
Rita Herrmann
Nancy Thuman Karraker
Joyce Moody Marsh
Helen Roberts Meyers
Isobel Thorp
Evelyn Starz Waasdorp
Catherine Yeomans

Presbyterian — 1950

Jo Donna Steele Sperry

Presbyterian — 1955

Lois Woodworth Baker
Nancy Houtzel
Judith Jensen Johnson
Joanne Walsh Matsinger
Charlotte Pechman Stupka
Theresa Koval Yost

St. Luke's — 1955

Eleanor Kansas Baader
Donna Morton Duberley
Joan Warder

Presbyterian-St. Luke's — 1960

Sandra Eckert Geyer

Judy Morell Harmon
Suzanne Merry Hupe
Lorraine A. Lee
Carole Schwab Stevens
Nella Ter Haar Williams

Presbyterian-St. Luke's — 1965

Ruth E. Corey Tatge

Additionally, the alumni office does not have a complete listing of our pre-1975 graduates. Please contact Michelle Kois in alumni relations at (312) 942-7199, to receive a printout of your class. With your help, we will be able to update our records.

Making a Difference

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Conference on Cancer Nursing in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, in mid-August.

Active in the Student Nurses' Association of Illinois, Mroz serves as director of membership for 25 schools in Northern Illinois. Under her guidance, three new chapters were added and membership in the state climbed from 735 students to more than 1,100.

In addition to her extracurricular school activities, Mroz works part time as a customer service representative at Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles, IL. She also balances the demands of nursing school with a busy family life, which includes her husband, Dennis, and children, Lizette, 18, a college freshman, and Alex, 11, a sixth-grader.

"My family has made sacrifices so that I could pursue my dream," says Mroz. "But they realize how happy nursing makes me. I want to reach out to help others—I want to make a difference in cancer patients' lives."

Alumni Support Nursing at Rush

Giving for nursing at Rush during the first nine months of our 1993-94 annual fund drive reached an unprecedented high. Of the \$53,122 raised for the nursing program at Rush, \$41,526 came from 665 nursing alumni.

This support was allocated as follows:

- \$23,433 to the Golden Lamp Society
- \$17,504 to Nursing Student Assistance, including the **Ruth E. Johnsen** Memorial Student Loan, the **Ruth E. Schmidt** Endowment Fund for Nursing Education and the A. Clyde and **Mae B. Freeland** Endowed Scholarship.
- \$12,185 to the Nurses Alumni Fund.

Also, a big thanks to those who participated in our phonathon program. Your support is greatly appreciated.

19th Century Treasures From St. Luke's

A St. Luke's nursing cape and pin worn by **Ada Spacey Carmichael, R.N.**, an 1897 graduate of St. Luke's, were recent gifts to the Medical Center Archives. They are the oldest St. Luke's nursing items among the Archives' collections.

The gifts were coordinated by Professor M. Ruth Elliott, Ph.D., R.N., a nursing faculty member at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. Dr. Elliott was a godchild of the late Naomi Carmichael, R.N., Ada's daughter.

The Elliott-Spacey Carmichael acquisition also includes a copy of the St. Luke's nursing school's 1903-1904 alumni magazine which includes congratulations to Presbyterian Hospital on their brand-new school of nursing which opened in 1903.

Our archives contain many artifacts which trace the rich history of our alumni association. However, we are greatly in need of the following: graduation programs, yearbooks, class composites and annual reports. Please contact the alumni office at (312) 942-7199 if you are interested in donating any of the above.

Ada Spacey Carmichael, R.N., 1897





Class Notes

1921

(Presbyterian) — Congratulations to **Mary E. Bricker**, who will celebrate her 101st birthday on July 20. Mary lives in Spring Valley, CA.

1931

(St. Luke's) — Retired Major **Elsie Hoin Sabaj** is still busy with the VFW Post in Spring Hill, FL, where she lives—close to her two sisters and a brother.

(St. Luke's) — **Lucille Fehl Solomon** sends a warm hello to **Velma Bowman** (Presbyterian '30). "I had a good year—am still able to take care of myself," reports Lucille, a resident of Sturgeon Bay, WI.

1937

(St. Luke's) — **Lois Richard Roberton** sends greetings from her home in Rushford, MN, to classmates of St. Luke's Class of '37. She writes that she still feels great after having a double bypass and an aortic valve replacement two years ago.

1941

(St. Luke's) — Michigan residents, **Betty Bowman Catallo** and her husband, Albert, a retired Colonel in the U.S. Air Force, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in April. They have seven children and frequently visit them at their homes in Seattle, WA, Buffalo, NY, Louisiana and Germany. A world traveler, Betty has also journeyed to Australia, Italy and the Orient. She corresponds with **Beverly Orlik** (St. Luke's '40) and **Mary Reardon**.

1942

(St. Luke's) — **Bea Bircher** has become the first female member of VFW Post 3088 of Door County, WI. The Sturgeon Bay resident served in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps and was stationed in Europe in 1944.

(Presbyterian) — After living in California for 44 years, **Ilene Anderson Foulke** moved to Sun City West, AZ. In December, she and her husband, Bob, celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary.

1944

(St. Luke's) — After graduating, **Maryalice F. Jones** worked in student health services for several California colleges, including Claremont College, Pomona College and Scripps College. In the mid-1970s, she and her husband established their own travel business. When she isn't traveling, Maryalice volunteers in the emergency room at Pomona Valley Hospital and Medical Center.

(Presbyterian) — Schaumburg, IL, resident **Orvilla Pinkowsky Pupp** is looking forward to attending Homecoming. Retired since 1987, Orvilla keeps very busy. She serves on the Mayor's Committee on Aging and the Schaumburg Township Senior Services Committee. She also volunteers at St. Matthew's Church.

(St. Luke's) — **Betty Borchardt Parker** writes that **Wilma Stevens Hawkins** (St. Luke's '44), who served as director of nursing education at St. Luke's during part of the 1940s, was a special guest at the 1993 meeting of the Nurses' Alumni Association of Southern California. Nineteen alumni attended the festivities at the Pala Mesa Resort in Fallbrook, CA. The group met again in late April of this year.

1945

(St. Luke's) — **Twylla Mae Knake** writes that she's alive and well, and living beside the Deschutes River in Bend, OR. She would enjoy hearing from other classmates, and is "continually grateful for nursing education and those St. Luke's years."

1947

(Presbyterian) — Best wishes to **Joan DeYoung Hinkamp**, who is marrying an old friend from high school. Joan lives in Venice, FL.

1949

(St. Luke's) — An experienced nurse manager, infection control nurse and employee health coordinator, **Bette Griswold** was recognized for 15 years of continuous service to Mendota Community Hospital in Mendota, IL. Bette has lived in Mendota since 1956.

Tell My Classmates

We're eager to hear about you! Please mail any "news"—personal and professional—to "**News and Views**" c/o the Nurses Alumni Association, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, 1700 W. Van Buren, #250, Chicago, Illinois 60612, Attention: Barbara Harfmann, Editor.

Please print or write legibly.

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Signature _____ Class of _____

Spring 1994

1950

After working 41 years as a staff nurse in the neonatal intensive care unit at Rush, **Ruth Rinne** retired in February 1991. From her home on the Tomahawk River in Wisconsin, Ruth enjoys a scenic view and the company of next-door neighbor **Deloros Sailor Young** (St. Luke's '49) and her husband, D.W. When she isn't hosting out-of-town visitors like **Jean Schweitzer** and **Norma Hayes** (St. Luke's '49), Ruth does volunteer work and tends to her two dogs and two cats.

1952

(Presbyterian) — **Margaret Christie Nicolais** serves on the board of trustees of the Memorial Center for Women, a retirement home with nursing facilities located in West Orange, NJ.

1953

(St. Luke's) — The St. Luke's Class of 1953A will meet in Gurnee, IL, the weekend of September 24 and 25. For more information, contact **Nancy Kisilius** at (312) 545-0499.

1956

(Presbyterian) — **Carol Wittensten Long** would love to hear from fellow classmates. The San Diego, CA, resident is active in hospice volunteer work, and enjoys traveling and time at home with her husband and friends.

1957

(Presbyterian) — **Kathleen McDaniel Davis** is vice president of nursing at McDonough District Hospital in McComb, IL. She has four sons and three grandchildren.

(St. Luke's) — After 15 years of emergency room nursing, **Barbara "Bobby" Sexton Olson** recently retired. She and her husband of 34 years, Chuck, a retired surgeon, have four children. The Olsons enjoy biking, hiking and skiing at their mountain cabin in the Sierras.

1959

(Presbyterian) — **Mary Jane Pullin Carpenter** is working part time at a large medical-surgical clinic in La Porte, IN. She enjoys spending time with her two grandsons.

1960

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Mary Lou McNamara** is a third-shift obstetrics nurse at Delnor Community Hospital in Geneva, IL. She has two children, Heather, 22, and Shawn, 19.

1962

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — "Loaded down with work," writes **Virginia Chizmar Inman**. Virginia is working on her master's degree in political science. Her son graduated from UCLA in June and is attending law school.

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — After completing a master's degree at Loyola University, **Linda Rollins Leahy** started her own business—Career Success Services—in Des Plaines, IL. Linda has four daughters.

1963

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Suzanne Cochran Miller** is a pulmonary rehabilitation coordinator at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, MI. She recently sold her home and moved into a condominium.

1965

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — Proud mother, **Sharon Lawson Anderson** writes that daughter, Stephanie, will earn her nursing degree from Rush University June 11.

In Memoriam

The Alumni Office has been informed of the deaths of the following graduates. Our sympathy to their families and friends.

St. Luke's

Ruth Clayton Weiland '21, of Miami, FL, February 28, 1993.

Alice Anderson '29, of Madison, WI, September 1993.

Helen Van Wyck Shure '29B, of Appleton, WI, April 28, 1994.

Janet Neill Slater '32, of North Palm Beach, FL.

Thora L. Plummer '34, of Paysm, AZ, December 1, 1993.

Dorothy Lewis Stanclift '41, of Sun City Center, FL, December 4, 1993.

Joyce Henderson Egan '51, of Wilmington, DE, November 30, 1993.

Jean Tranton Rebstock '52, of Racine, WI, April 22, 1994.

Myrna Gillian Carpenter '54, of Crown Point, IN, January 31, 1994.

Arlene Neubauer Cahill '56, of McHenry, IL, December 1993.

Presbyterian

Jean South '26, of Pomona, CA.

Arline Deck Cermak '27, of Berwyn, IL, November 22, 1993.

Glee Irvin Mitchell '27, of Fresno, CA.

Lois Churchill Schroeder '27, of Omaha, NE, December 13, 1993.

Jeannette Veldman '29, of Holland, MI, March 2, 1994.

Marian Dietz '34, May 1992.

Carol Knapp Balgemann '41, of Lake Wales, FL.

Betty Duncan LaForge '41, of Exeter, CA, April 16, 1993.

Janice Van Wert Ellsworth '52, of Lubbock, TX.

Vera J. Koehler '55, of Grass Valley, CA, December 6, 1993.

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Catherine Sindberg '67, of Cadillac, MI.

1966

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Mary Ann Hamilton-Peterson** has a daughter in nursing, Jamie Peterson, who earned her B.S.N. from Boston College last year, is a staff nurse in pediatrics at Rush.

1967

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — Frankfort, IL, resident **Connie Nykiel** is a childbirth educator at the Arts of Living Institute, a public school in Chicago for pregnant adolescents that is affiliated with Catholic Charities. Connie recently co-authored a Spanish reproductive health manual for pregnant teens. The manual is being distributed in Spanish-speaking countries by the Pan American Health Association.

1980

(B.S.) — Formerly the director of utilization review for Maxicare Illinois, **Lynne B. Rontanini** was recently appointed assistant vice president of health care programs for Celtic Life Insurance.

1981

(M.S.) — **Mary L. Ogrinc** relocated back to the Cleveland area and is now serving as corporate director of clinical services for the Lake Hospital System.

1986

(B.S.) — **Mary Henseler** is director of quality management at EHS Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington, IL. Mary received her M.B.A. from the Keller Graduate School of Management. She lives in Wheaton.

1989

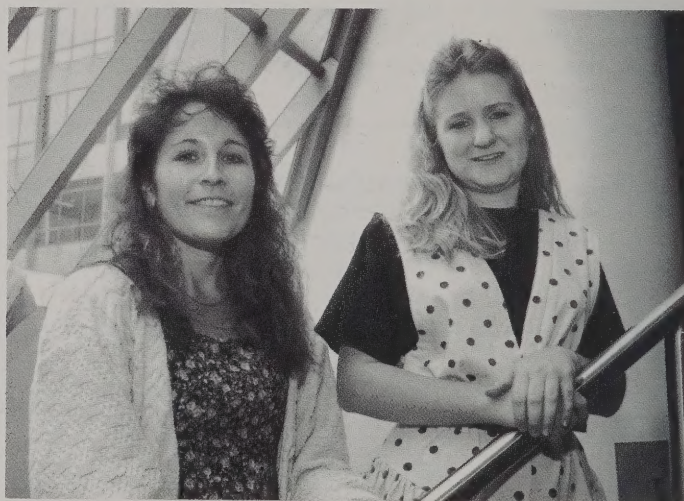
(M.S.) — **Leslie J. Albrecht** is nurse manager of the critical care units at Elmhurst Memorial Hospital in Elmhurst, IL.

(M.S.) — **Cindy Bouffard**, a gerontological nurse practitioner at Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center in Chicago, was

profiled in the "Professional At Work" column in the *Chicago Sun-Times*, February 13, 1994. Cindy was 16 when she started working as a nursing assistant in a nursing home.

(B.S. and M.S. '92) — **Eileen Glynn** is a clinical nurse specialist for the cancer screening and early detection program at Resurrection Medical Center in Chicago. She plans to wed Bernie Tucker on August 13, 1994.

(M.S.) — In January 1994, **William Wiessner** was named the nursing and administrative director for emergency services at Rush. A Medical Center employee for 12 years, Bill previously served as staff nurse and assistant head nurse on the medical intensive care unit, and head nurse on 8 Kellogg. He received the Henry P. Russe, M.D., Humanitarian Award at Founder's Day—a day set aside to recognize employees who have made a significant contribution to Rush.



Washington Square Scholars

Third-year Rush University College of Nursing students Michele Ross (left) and Michele Matul were named the 1993-1994 Washington Square Health Foundation scholars. This scholarship program supports outstanding students in the field of health care who intend to remain in the Chicago area after graduation.

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Rush Launches New Hospice Program

Recognizing a need to provide hospice care for patients served by the Rush Home Care Network, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center is launching a new program to care for the terminally ill. Called Rush Hospice Partners, the program is scheduled to begin March 10, 1995.

"The Rush Home Care Network is a service that reports to the Division of Nursing at Rush," Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N., Vice President, Nursing Affairs, and Dean, College of Nursing, said. "It's a growing service that increases its business about 20% every year, with up to 130,000 home visits projected for next year. A major reason it is growing is that the average length of stay in the hospital is decreasing."

Seamless Care

Last year, Dean Andreoli said, about 400 patients served by the Rush Home Care Network had to go elsewhere for hospice care because Rush did not have its own program. Patients who were receiving home health care from Rush were forced to discontinue that care when they were diagnosed as terminally ill because Medicare would pay for their care only through a recognized hospice program.

"We thought that establishing a hospice program would give our patients seamless care until death," she said. "Then we reviewed hospice programs in the Chicago area and found that there were 34 such programs already operating successfully. We wondered if starting another one would be a good business venture."

Dean Andreoli and her colleagues also found that several affiliated hospitals in the Rush System for Health already had successful hospice programs in operation. "It occurred to us that since one of the goals of the Rush System for Health is to share resources and capitalize on each other's strengths, we could capitalize on those hospice



Zyra Gordon-Smith, a Rush home care nurse, heads out to care for patients. She will soon be providing hospice care as well under Rush's new hospice program.

programs already operating."

The three affiliated hospitals with hospice programs—Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Oak Park Hospital, and Westlake Community Hospital in Melrose Park—joined the Rush Home Care Network in forming a not-for-profit hospice business and hospice network as part of the Rush System for Health.

A Prototype

The business plan for Rush Hospice Partners was approved by the management committee of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in June. "This is the first system-wide corporate venture owned by Rush," Dean Andreoli said. "It will serve as a prototype for others to follow."

Although 95% of hospice care is given in the home, state and federal licensing agencies require that hospi-

tals with an approved hospice program must have beds set aside for hospice care. "If patients being cared for at home are terminally ill and need to be taken to the hospital for care, Rush and the other hospitals have made beds available for them. Normally hospice care is no longer than six months in length under Medicare regulations," she said.

In 1993, approximately 9,500 patients received hospice care in the Chicago area. The goal of Rush's hospice program is to provide palliative medical care and supportive social, emotional, and spiritual services to the terminally ill and their families, primarily in the patient's home.

The hospice concept was first introduced in the United States by Dame Cicely Saunders from London in a lec-

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A Message From the Dean

Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N.

Student News. In June, 188 students were graduated from the College of Nursing, bringing the grand total of graduates of the College to 3,182. This was our largest class in the last eight years. The numbers of graduates in each degree program were: B.S. = 101, M.S. = 64, N.D. = 15, D.N.Sc. = 8.

As you may recall, our newest degree program, the Doctor of Nursing (N.D.), was initiated in 1989. As of this year, 45 nurses have graduated with the degree. It is an advanced degree for nurse practitioners and an important response to the health-care reform mandates concerning health promotion and disease prevention. Currently, there are 85 students enrolled in the N.D. program. Clearly the program's popularity is growing. In fact, the College of Nursing is growing in its total enrollment. This September's enrollment is the highest in our history, topping off at 602.

Since April, our prelicensure program graduates have had the opportunity to take the new computerized National Council License Examination,

which is now the largest computerized adaptive licensure examination program in the United States. Our Rush graduates have a pass rate on this test of 98%. This is an indication of the quality of our teaching and curriculum.

Cultural Diversity. The College of Nursing is actively implementing a strategic plan. One of our goals is to increase multicultural diversity in the student body, faculty, and curriculum. In response to the challenge, a task force was appointed to examine our strengths, weaknesses, and potential in accomplishing this goal. The task force produced a report entitled, Linking Excellence and Access in Rush Nursing (LEARN), that included 17 recommendations.

Five of the recommendations have been selected for implementation this year. They are: modifying the admissions process, enhancing multicultural understanding and education in the College, increasing financial assistance, emphasizing leadership, and expanding our high school pre-nursing program

for minority students. To help implement these goals, we have created a newly funded position, Director of Multicultural Affairs, in the Dean's office. We are actively recruiting for this position with the expectation that the individual who fills it will plan, develop, and direct a broad-based multicultural program that makes a difference.

Faculty News. We are especially proud of the success of selected faculty in obtaining external funding in recent months for research:

- Dr. Joyce Keithley, Professor, Department of OR/Surgical Nursing, received a federal grant of \$290,000 for three years to study nutritional supplementation for outpatients with HIV infection.

- Dr. Virginia Maikler, Associate Professor, Department of Maternal/Child Nursing, has received funding of \$100,000 to study pain intervention for children with sickle cell disease.

- Dr. Margaret Faut-Callahan, Professor, Department of OR/Surgical Nursing, received a training grant of \$70,000 for the Nurse Anesthesia Program.

- Dr. Joseph Zbilut, Professor, Department of OR/Surgical Nursing, received \$26,500 to study patients with ventricular tachycardia.

Remodeling. For the first time in 20 years, Schweppe Sprague Hall is undergoing major remodeling. The smell of paint, the sight of new rugs, and a color scheme of blue and white to replace the orange and brown have given the students and faculty a sense of renewal.

Moreover, the building is being rewired for our new computer network system. We will be technologically ready for the next century. Spirits are high and the College is running full speed ahead.



Rush faculty gather to honor three colleagues who were inducted into the American Academy of Nursing in 1994. Pictured L to R: Margaret Faut-Callahan, D.N.Sc., F.A.A.N. (Rush '79 and '84), Karren Kowalski, Ph.D., F.A.A.N., inductee Carol Farran, D.N.Sc., F.A.A.N. (Rush '85), Kathleen G. Andreoli, D.S.N., F.A.A.N., inductee Carolyn Yocum, Ph.D., F.A.A.N., Ann Minnick, Ph.D., F.A.A.N., and inductee Judith Paice, Ph.D., F.A.A.N. (Rush '82). This brings the Rush faculty representation in the Academy to 13.

Mark your Calendar

Friday, June 9 —
Homecoming '95

Look for additional information about this exciting event in your invitation, which you should receive by April 1, 1995. Call Michelle Kois, Alumni Relations, at (312) 942-7199 if you have questions.

Homecoming '94—A Time to Remember

Homecoming '94 was a memorable occasion for nursing alumni and their guests. The festivities began on Thursday, June 9, with the tenth annual luncheon and meeting of the Golden Lamp Society.

At the luncheon, chairperson **Joyce Keithley, D.N.Sc.** (Rush '80) welcomed 14 new members and thanked nursing alumni and friends of the society for contributing more than \$39,000 in 1993-1994. Dr. Keithley also awarded the Golden Lamp Society Doctoral Scholarship to Lois Taft and the Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education Award to **Janean Rullman** (Rush '94).

Friday's Homecoming activities included the Alumni Tea, hosted by the College of Nursing, and tours of the Medical Center. In the evening, the alumni attended the Homecoming Banquet at the Hotel InterContinental. This special dinner paid tribute to the anniversary classes of 1924, 1934, 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, and 1964.

The festivities concluded on Saturday with commencement, when 188 nursing degrees were conferred.



Esther Anderson Maas (Presbyterian '34) looks at a replica of a nurse that was part of the Alumni Tea's Historical Display.



Barbara Edgar Schmidt (St. Luke's '53) chats with **Luther Christman, Ph.D., R.N.**, the **John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean Emeritus** of the College of Nursing, at the Golden Lamp Society luncheon.



Friends gather at the alumni banquet to celebrate milestone anniversaries of their graduation. Left to right are: **Helen Fehlandt O'Brien** (Presbyterian '25), **Melba Bueker Weber** (Presbyterian '34), **Anne Henikoff**, mother of Medical Center President and CEO **Leo M. Henikoff, M.D.**, **Ruth Schmidt** (Presbyterian '34), and **Janice Lambert** (St. Luke's '24).

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From the Association President

Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N. (Pres.-St. Luke's '65)

Alumni Activities. One of my favorite roles as President is being a part of Homecoming, which was held this past June 10. The highlights of this year's celebration for me included meeting alumni, new graduates, and their families at the College of Nursing Tea, presenting awards at the Nursing Convocation, and presiding over the alumni banquet.

This year's banquet was especially meaningful because, in addition to recognizing those from the 50- and 60-year classes, we also honored a 70-year graduate, **Janice Lambert**, from the St. Luke's class of 1924. We were pleased that Mrs. Lambert could join us for this special occasion.

I had the pleasure of meeting Virginia Trotter Betts, President of the American Nurses Association. Ms. Betts was the keynote speaker at the Fourth Annual Lillias Trowbridge Memorial Lectureship in Women's Health held on November 21. Her address was entitled "Securing our Future: Women, Children

and Health Care Reform." Ms. Betts' remarks were interesting and thought-provoking, and I am proud that the Nurses Alumni Association could be a co-sponsor of this special lecture.

Student Activities. The alumni board continues in its efforts to reach out to the students in the College of Nursing. On September 9, we held our annual orientation breakfast for new nursing students. **Cathy Catrambone** (Rush '89) gave an overview of the rich history of nursing at Rush and the significance of the pin that all students receive from the alumni association upon graduation. This breakfast continues to be a successful way for the students to learn about the importance of the Nurses Alumni Association.

About 300 Rush University medical and nursing students attended National Primary Care Day at Rush on September 29. The event was co-sponsored by the Nurses Alumni Association. The students received information about the demand for primary care nurses and

physicians and the pivotal role primary care plays in health care.

All of our programs and projects, such as Homecoming, the student breakfast, and our scholarship activities, would not be possible without the support of our loyal alumni. We are currently in the midst of our 1994-1995 fund drive, and I ask you all to support our organization by making a gift for nursing at Rush. We are publishing our Honor Roll of Donors in this issue as a special way to thank those of you who supported us last year (see page 5). We appreciate everyone's ongoing philanthropy to this important cause.

Elections. You will notice we are doing something a bit different this year by enclosing the slate of officers and official ballot in this issue of *News and Views*. Please review this information and send us your ballot, postmarked no later than February 1. Remember, your participation is important. It is crucial that we all take the time to select who will serve as the elected officials of this special organization.

As I pass on the gavel this year, I would like to thank you for your wonderful support. It has been an extreme pleasure to serve as your President for the past six years. Although I will be moving on, I still plan to be active with the Alumni Association, because this is a great organization that plays a vital role in the continued growth of the College of Nursing.

Get 'Em While They Last

A limited supply of the following publications is now available to Association Members:

- *The History of the School of Nursing of Presbyterian Hospital, 1903-1956*, by Ruth E. Johnsen, R.N., B.S., M.A., 1959.
- *Favorite Recipes of the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association*, 1981.

Contact Michelle Kois in Alumni Relations at (312) 942-7199 to receive your free copies. This offer good until March 1, 1995.

Hospice

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ture on holistic care at Yale University. Home hospice services were first offered in this country in 1974 in Branford, Conn.

Medicare began paying for hospice care in 1984, and Illinois began paying for hospice benefits under Medicaid in 1988. In five of the health care reform bills introduced in Congress in 1994, hospice care is listed as a basic health care benefit. Nationwide, the number of Medicare-certified hospices has grown from 31 in 1984 to 1,368 in 1993.

"We will use the best methods available to provide hospice patients with comfort and palliative treatment for pain," Dean Andreoli said. "It will be a customer-oriented business responsive to the patients' needs. We intend to offer the service to patients at all affiliated hos-

pitals in the Rush System for Health. It will be high-quality, cost-effective care."

Medicare requirements for hospices call for an interdisciplinary team of physicians, nurses, social workers, trained volunteers, and a chaplain to coordinate all home and inpatient care. The hospice must also provide bereavement counseling for the patient's family prior to the death of the patient and up to one year afterward.

Services must be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on an on-call basis. Five percent of the care must be given by volunteers who are specially trained to give emotional, physical, psychosocial, and bereavement support to the patient and his or her family.

Rush Hospice Partners will meet all Medicare requirements and strive to improve the care of terminally ill patients in the Chicago area.

Alumni Continue to Support Nursing at Rush

More than 800 alumni gave to nursing at Rush during the 1993-1994 fiscal year. Donations included gifts to the following:

- The Golden Lamp Society—\$39,653
- Nursing Student Assistance—\$17,953
- The Nurses Alumni Fund—\$13,324

The Nursing Alumni Campaign continues to be a success as well. Commitments total \$377,500, with \$122,500 remaining to achieve our \$500,000 nursing alumni goal. Special Campaign activities are planned for the upcoming year, including phonathons and mailings to all alumni about how they can support this special program.

We are publishing this Honor Roll of Donors as our special thanks to those of you who so generously made gifts to Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in the past fiscal year (July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994).

We have made every attempt to list everyone's name and class year accurately. Please contact Michelle Kois, Alumni Relations, at (312) 942-7199 if there are any corrections.

Thank you for your ongoing support of nursing at Rush.

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Susan O'Connor-Von, left, visits with Eileen Devlin (Rush '93) at the Alumni Tea.

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Medical Center Archivist Stuart Campbell, Ph.D., right, explains the rich history of nursing at Rush to new graduate Marianne Gutchewsky (Rush '94) and her guests at the Alumni Tea.

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Friends gather around Luther Christman, Ph.D., R.N., the John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean Emeritus of the College of Nursing, at the Homecoming Banquet. In the front row, left to right, are: Karren Kowalski, Ph.D., R.N., Joyce Keithley, D.N.Sc. (Rush '80), Dr. Christman, and Jane Llewellyn, D.N.Sc. (Rush '80). In the back row, left to right, are: Nancy Hayda Mills (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), Karen Van Dyke Lamb, N.D. (Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush '82 and '91), Barbara Edgar Schmidt (St. Luke's '53), and Kathryn Christiansen, D.N.Sc. (Rush '80).

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Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N., the John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean of the College of Nursing and Vice President for Nursing Affairs, updates alumni about the College at the Homecoming Banquet.

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Leo M. Henikoff, M.D., President and CEO, addresses alumni and friends at the Homecoming Banquet.

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Class Notes

1921

(Pres.) — **Mary E. Bricker** recently celebrated her 101st birthday. Last May she met with a number of alumni living in Southern California for a luncheon near Fall Brook, Ca. She looks forward to meeting with them again next spring.

1937

(St. Luke's) — **Lois Rickert Robertson** talked to classmate **Thelma Corby Clarke** about getting together in Phoenix soon. Lois had a porcine heart valve installed more than two years ago and Thelma had an angioplasty about three years ago. Both are feeling great now.

1938

(St. Luke's) — **Dorothy Wallio** moved from Florida to Boulder, Col. where her daughter lives. Dorothy has been ill, and her children wanted her closer to them. Her son lives in Des Moines, Iowa.

1939

(St. Luke's) — **Maja Britta Thompson** sent to Rush a copy of instructions she received from St. Luke's Hospital as an entering student in the School of Nursing on October 1, 1936. Entrance fees, laboratory fees, and the cost of books and other miscellaneous items totaled \$114.20. How times have changed, she remarks.

1941

(St. Luke's) — **Marie Williamson Nelson** met with former classmates **Laverne Snip Howard**, **Hucille Hathaway Newton**, **Wanda Watson Strandmark**, and **Arlene England Spizzirri** in September at the William Tell Restaurant in LaGrange, Ill. All are retired. Marie lives in the Fox Lake area and invites other classmates to join her for the next reunion.

1945

(St. Luke's) — **Marjorie Ewart Swanson** and **Marion Bollman Salyer** hope to see many of their classmates at St. Luke's 50th reunion in 1995.

1951

(St. Luke's) — **Marilyn Bethig Nehring** has twin daughters, Paula and Peggy, who are now 24 years old. Peggy married last summer and is expecting her first child. She is a student at Central Michigan University. Paula married in May and graduated from Central Michigan in the summer.

1953

(Pres.) — **Ruth Taff Meyer** runs a small bed and breakfast in Ohio while her husband Del heads a branch campus of Ohio University and sometimes teaches nursing students. Her daughter Anne is working toward an M.S. degree and son Ross works for a Kansas aircraft supplies and maintenance firm.

1954

(St. Luke's) — **Betty Herbert Johnson** recently attended a reunion in central Illinois with classmates **Jan Wells Ward**, **Diane Overand Mulholland**, **Betty Frederick Holcomb**, **Sheila MacDade Winkler**, **Betty Cruzan Bird**, **Natalie Schleh Joscher**, **Trink Harper Otto**, **Betty Alfini Rhodes**, **Jane MacArthur Warner**, **Lois Clarke Phelps**, and **Chuckie Gee Beath**.

1955

(Pres.) — **Marguerite Beck Lewis** recently moved from Davis, Ca. to West Chester, Pa. Her husband has a new job with Zeneca Pharmaceuticals.

1963

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Anne Bridge Divoky** and her husband Wayne moved to Russia on June 27 where Wayne works for a joint venture formed by Caterpillar and the Russian firm ZIL. Anne is an OR nurse and Past President of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association of Operating Room Nurses. She is looking for ways to put her talents to work in Russia, possibly as a Project Hope Volunteer.

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Barbara Keating Holmes** now works part time as a school social worker in School District 16, Glendale Heights, Ill., after obtaining a master's

degree in social work. She has a 12-year-old daughter still at home and two other children who have moved out of home. She also exhibits her own art locally and in a gallery in Albuquerque, N.M.

1965

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Cheryl Steele Steere Jones** is Executive Director of a personal care home for the elderly in Wheeling, W.Va. She remarried in 1991 and has three stepchildren along with her own four, who range in age from 22 to 30.

1966

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Toni (Alice) Anthony Sippel**, a GI nurse in the endoscopy laboratory at the Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Merriam, Kan. near Kansas City, wrote to say that she and her husband celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last November. They have two children—daughter Robin, 24, who is studying for her masters degree in information systems at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and son Tim, 20, a biology major at Kansas State University in Manhattan.

1977

(B.S.) — **Susan A. Cuccio** has been working as a pediatric home health nurse for the past four years and enjoys it immensely. Previously, she was a staff nurse at Children's Memorial Medical Center in Chicago for 10 years.

1979

(B.S.) — **Lisa Hopp**, currently a Visiting Assistant Professor of Nursing at Purdue University Calumet in Hammond, Ind., has been awarded a \$109,753 Academic Research Enhancement Award from the

Tell My Classmates...

We're eager to hear about you! Please mail any news—personal and professional—to News and Views c/o the Nurses Alumni Association, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, 1700 W. Van Buren, #250, Chicago, IL 60612. Attention: Michelle Kois.

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Winter 1994

Judith Paice Named Distinguished Alumna

During the Golden Lamp Society luncheon on June 9, **Martha J. Mills**, President of the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association, presented the 1994 Distinguished Alumna Award to **Judith Paice, Ph.D., R.N.** (Rush '82).

"Dr. Paice has distinguished herself as a nationally recognized expert in the field of oncology nursing and pain management through her research, education, and practice," President Mills said.

"She has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including membership in Sigma Theta Tau and Phi Kappa Phi. She also received the Oncology Nursing Society/Schering Clinical Lectureship Award in 1991."

A 1979 graduate of Elmhurst College with a B.S. degree in nursing and psychology, Dr. Paice obtained an M.S. degree in oncology nursing at Rush University in 1982 and a Ph.D. degree in nursing science from the University of Chicago in 1992. She is currently a



Martha J. Mills presents the 1994 Distinguished Alumna Award to Judith Paice, Ph.D., R.N. (Rush '82).

clinical nurse specialist in pain management in the Department of Neurosurgery and the Department of Surgical Nursing at Rush. She is also an Assistant Professor at Rush University College of Nursing.

"Dr. Paice is a highly regarded

speaker, both here and abroad, and has delivered numerous papers and presentations," Mills said. She has published abstracts, book chapters, and monographs. Dr. Paice is also an international consultant on cancer pain.

National Institutes of Health. Lisa is the principal investigator in a study that seeks to establish normal values for a test of respiratory muscle endurance.

1980

(B.S.) — **Susan Dean-Baar** was recently installed as President of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses at the association's annual conference in Orlando. She also recently became a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

(M.S.) — **Fran LaMonica** and a friend spent three months earlier this year as volunteers at a hospital in Split, Croatia to help war victims. She worked with Caritas in Split. Fran is evening nursing administrator at Mercy Hospital and Medical Center in Chicago.

1982

(M.S.) — **June Howland-Gradman** was elected Treasurer of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses on July 1. She is an Associate Professor at Rush University, Clinical Assistant Professor at St. Xavier College, Cardiology Care Center Leader at the University of Chicago Hospitals, and an Adjunct Faculty member at Moraine Valley Community College.

1984

(B.S.) — **Victoria McGill** earned her masters of jurisprudence degree in health law from Loyola University's School of Law. She is a research coordinator of burn clinical trials at Loyola University, Chicago.

1989

(B.S.) — **Abbie Kleppa** is a practicing midwife at the Hi-Plains Hospital in Hale Center, Tex. She is the only midwife in West Texas with hospital privileges in a large area bounded by the Oklahoma and New Mexico borders. Abbie received midwife training at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston from 1990 to 1991 and is now a certified nurse midwife.

1992

(D.N.Sc.) — **Maria Connolly**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Medical-Surgical Nursing at Loyola University, Chicago, was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses for a three-year term (1994-1997).

Calling All Outstanding Alumni

Do You know someone who has brought distinction to the nursing profession? If so, here's your chance to nominate that individual for the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Please send the following form, a curriculum vitae, and a brief description of why this person should be considered to:

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Deadline for nominations is
February 15, 1995.

Select Your Candidates

It's that time again...to select who will represent you on the 1995-1996 Board of Directors of the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association.

The following is a brief biography of each candidate. We hope this information will help you in the voting process.

Please take the time to complete your ballot, which can be found in the center of this issue of *News and Views*, and return it in the attached envelope. We will need your response by February 1, 1995, for it to count in the official tally.

We appreciate your interest in the future of our alumni association.

President

Karen Van Dyke Lamb is a 1967 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, and she has two degrees from Rush University—a master of science in nursing and a doctor of nursing. She has been a member of the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors since 1977 and currently serves as Vice President.

Vice President

Nancy Hayda Mills is a 1965 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, and she is a current doctoral student in the College of Nursing. Nancy is a member of the Board of Directors and Co-chairperson of the Nurses Alumni Association Program/Social Committee.

Secretary/Treasurer

Jolene Zimmerman Detzel is a 1992 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She was elected to the current Board of Directors in 1993 and served as President of the Student Nurses Association while studying at Rush.

Board Members

Sally Brozenec is a 1977 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She has been actively involved with the Nurses Alumni Association and is currently a member of the 1993-1994 Board of Directors.

Cathy Catrambone is a 1989 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She is a former President of the Professional Nursing Staff at Rush, and has been involved with a number of Nurses Alumni Association activities, including the phonathon and the breakfast for new students.

Barbara Rapp Fisli is a 1977 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She recently completed a Ph.D. at Loyola University and wrote her thesis on the History of the Rush University College of Nursing and the Development of the Unification Model, 1972-1988.

Please note: Due to an error, Dr. Fisli's name was omitted from the ballot. Please use one of the write-in spaces to cast your vote.

Inette Hoxsey Godman is a 1961 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, and is a current member of the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Carolyn Wessel Helf is a 1957 graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing and a 1987 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She currently serves as Chairperson of the Nurses Alumni Association Nominating Committee.

Joan Nelson is a 1953 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital Training School of Nurses and has served as Secretary for many years, including the 1993-1994 term.

Mildred Hudak Perlia is a 1954 graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing. She has been active with the Nurses Alumni Association for many years and currently serves as the Scholarship Chairperson.

Sandra Scribano Robertson is a 1957 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nurses, and is a current member of the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Kimberly Skinner Rohan is a 1984 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is currently the Co-chair of the Program and Social Committee and is a member of the Nominating Committee.

Barbara Edgar Schmidt is a 1953 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nurses. She is a current member of the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

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